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SUBJECT: LOS: SEABED MEETING, SUBCMTE II, WORKING

GROUP, JULY 13, 1973

1. CHAIRMAN REVIEWED PRIOR DAY DELIBERATIONS IN SUBCMTE WG. HE STATED THAT "CONSENSUS WAS LOOMING LARGER AND LARGER IN FAVOR OF 200-MILE BUNDARY OF ECONOMIC ZONE." NEVERTHELESS, SOME STATES WANTED COMBINATION OF DEPTH AND DISTANCE FOR OUTER LIMIT. SOME STATES HAD ALSO STATED THAT DEBATE SHOULD FOCUS ON INTERNATIONAL AREA AND COMMON HERITAGE OF MANKIND. CHAIRMAN HAD SUGGESTED THAT WG DWELL ON HOW TO HARMONIZE NATIONAL INTERESTS WITH INTERESTS OF INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY.

2. PERU STATED THAT GREAT MAJORITY OF WG FAVORED 200-MILE OUTER LIMIT FOR CONTINENTAL SHELF. A VERY FEW STATES HAD SUGGESTED A COMBINATION OF DEPTH AND DISTANCE. SUBCMTE HAD YET TO CONSIDER EXCEPTIONAL CASES WHICH UNCLASSIFIED

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SMERIT EXCEPTIONAL TREATMENT WHERE CONTINENTAL SHELF EX-

TENDS BEYOND 200 MILES. REP SUGGESTED THAT DISCUSSION OF OUTER LIMIT BE POSTPONED AND WG PROCEED TO NEXT ITEM ON ITS AGENDA. HOWEVER, BEFORE DOING SO, WG SHOULD CONCENTRATE ON DELIMITATION OF CONTINENTAL SHELF BETWEEN OPPOSITE AND ADJACENT STATES AND ECONOMIC ZONE ENTITLEMENT FOR ISLANDS.

3. CHAIRMAN NOTED THERE WAS NO OPPOSITION TO FORTHCOMING DISCUSSION ON TWO POINTS MENTIONED BY PERU AND IT WAS DECIDED TO ACCEPT SUGGESTION. WG WILL MEET FOUR TIMES NEXT WEEK. BASSIN

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